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Title: Adaptive Scheduling of Data Delivery in a Central Server

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 28, 2004 in the above-identified application, please consider the remarks below:

REMARKS

The present application was filed on September 10, 2003 with claims 1-26. Claims 1-26 remain pending. Claims 1, 25 and 26 are the pending independent claims.

In the outstanding Office Action dated June 28, 2004, the Examiner: (i) rejected claims 1-26 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 3 and 5 of U.S. Patent No. 6,502,062 (hereinafter "Acharya") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,261,099 (hereinafter "Bigo"); and (ii) rejected claims 1-4, 18, 25 and 26 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,338,130 (hereinafter "Sinibaldi") in view of Bigo.

In this response, Applicants traverse the double patenting and §103(a) rejections. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the following remarks.

Applicants acknowledge the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 5-17 and 19-24.